

PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
Water Management Division
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDLs) FOR WATERS AND POLLUTANTS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Section 303(d)(1)(C) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. §1313(d)(1)(C), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's implementing regulation, 40 CFR §130.7(c)(1), require the establishment of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for waters identified by states as not meeting water quality standards under authority of §303(d)(1)(A) of the CWA. Each of these TMDLs is to be established at a level necessary to implement applicable water quality standards with seasonal variations and a margin of safety, accounting for lack of knowledge concerning the relationship between pollutant loading and water quality.

The TMDLs described in this notice are required by the 1999 Consent Decree entered in the case of Florida Wildlife Federation, Inc., et al. v. Carol M. Browner, et al., No. 4:98CV356-WS (N.D. Fla., Tallahassee Division, April 22, 1998). The waterbody impairments on Florida's 303(d) list that will be addressed by the TMDLs are listed below. These impaired waterbodies are located in the Lower and Middle St. Johns River basins.

Waterbody Name	Waterbody Identification (WBID) Number	§303(d) List Pollutant(s)
Cracker Branch Creek	2555	Nutrients, Dissolved Oxygen, Biological Oxygen Demand
Deep Creek	2549	Nutrients, Dissolved Oxygen, Biological Oxygen Demand, Silver, Iron
Haw Creek above Crescent Lake	2622A	Nutrients, Dissolved Oxygen, Biological Oxygen Demand, Iron, Lead, Selenium, Silver
Mill Branch	2592	Nutrients, Dissolved Oxygen, Biological Oxygen Demand, Fecal Coliforms

Moccasin Branch	2540	Dissolved Oxygen, Biological Oxygen Demand, Iron, Silver
St. Johns River above Dames Point	2213C	Nutrients
St. Johns River above Federal Point	2213L	Nutrients, Silver
St. Johns River above Piney Point	2213F	Nutrients
St. Johns River above Toco	2213K	Nutrients, Silver
St. Johns River above Warren Bridge	2213E	Nutrients
West Run Interceptor D	2569	Nutrients, Dissolved Oxygen, Biological Oxygen Demand, Iron, Silver
Long Branch	3030	Nutrients

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed TMDLs or to offer new data or information regarding the proposed TMDLs are invited to submit the same in writing no later than November 29, 2003 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Water Management Division, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960, ATTENTION: Ms. Sibyl Cole, Standards, Monitoring, and TMDL Branch.

A copy of each of the proposed TMDLs can be obtained through the Internet or by contacting Ms. Cole at (404) 562-9437 or via electronic mail at cole.sibyl@epa.gov. The URL address for the proposed TMDLs is: <http://www.epa.gov/region4/water/tmdl/florida/index.htm/>. The proposed TMDLs and supporting documents, including technical information, data, and analyses, may be reviewed at 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia, between the hours of 8 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Persons wishing to review this information should contact Ms. Cole to schedule a time for that review.

/s/
James D. Giattina, Director
Water Management Division
Region 4

September 30, 2003
Date

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency